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15.1 Introduction:

The following sections include the general methodology for drug groups and drug compounds. At various times, a drug chemist will encounter drug substances for analysis which do not fall under the following categories or that require specialized analysis. For these cases a general guideline for analysis can be followed based on the general unknown/powder flow chart. It should be noted that sample size or other circumstances may require a rearrangement or modification of one or more steps. These modifications must be documented in the case file.

15.2 Techniques:

- 15.2.1 Positive color test reactions are denoted in each drug section.
- 15.2.2 Unless otherwise noted in the following sections, the chemist should consult the MS file for GC/MS method conditions and the GC file for GC method conditions.

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